

COVID – 19 INFORMATION

Consumer Financial Protection Initiative

ALERT:

COVID-19 Vaccines: Scams and Social Media Identity Theft

As the COVID-19 vaccine is rolled out, it's important to be on the lookout for scams.

- Beware of scams offering asking for money to put you on the list, make an appointment or reserve you a spot, or move you up the line. Asking you to pay for the vaccine to get it early is a sure sign that it is a scam.
- What out for signs of "imposters" posing as a government agency.
- Ignore sale ads you cannot buy the vaccine anywhere.
- **Do NOT share your personal or financial information** if someone calls, texts, or emails you promising to get you the vaccine faster or for a fee.

Also, keep in mind that All COVID-19 vaccines are free. There is no cost to receive the vaccine. You will not be billed directly. The vaccine provider may bill your health insurance directly, but there is no co-pay.

How do I get a vaccine in New Mexico: To pre-register with the New Mexico Department of Health (NMDOH) for receiving your COVID-19 vaccination <u>click here</u> or go to https://cvvaccine.nmhealth.org/. Registration forms are available in English, Spanish and Vietnamese.

For more information from the NMDOH regarding COVID-19 vaccinations <u>click here</u> or go to <u>https://cv.nmhealth.org/covid-vaccine/</u>. If you have questions or would like support with the registration process with NMDOH – including if you do not have internet access – dial 1-855-600-3453, press option 0 for vaccine questions, and then option 4 for tech support.

For the latest vaccine updates from the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) <u>click here</u> or go to <u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html</u>



When you receive your vaccination -- **REMEMBER** that social media is no place for posting photos of your vaccination card!

Posting a picture of your card poses risk to you! Your vaccination card has information on it including your full name, date of birth, where you got your vaccine, and the dates you got it. **Personal information posted on line**

gives identity thieves the opportunity to use that information and will put you at risk.